

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated May 3, 2006, the Examiner objected to the drawings, rejected claim 1 under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by Pederson (US Patent No. 6,798,240), objected to claims 3-15 as allowable if rewritten in independent form, and allowed claims 16-24. In response thereto, the Applicants have submitted new drawings, amended claim 1, and cancelled claim 3. Claims 1, 4-24 remain at issue.

The Drawing

New drawings have been submitted. Each drawing has been re-labeled "Replacement Sheet". The applicants believe the objection should now be withdrawn.

The Art Rejection

The applicants have amended claim 1 to include the subject matter of objected claim 3. Claim 1 is therefore now allowable.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,
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